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The Government have learnt with deep regret of the sudden death of Hon'ble Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

In a long life packed with determined resolution and dynamic action, he has become acknowledged as one of the premier architects of modern India. His part in building up the Congress is legendary. His official achievements in consolidating India belong to History. The Government and the people of this State mourn his loss with the rest of India; they cherish the ideals he stood for.

K. G. MENON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

No. S. 6—34296/50/CS.

NOTIFICATION.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the late Hon'ble Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, all Public Offices, Courts and Educational institutions in Trivandrum will be closed today, and all Public Offices, Courts and Educational institutions throughout the State will be closed tomorrow the 16th December 1950.

Flags will be flown at half mast on all Government buildings.

By order of His Highness
the Raj Pramukh,

K. G. MENON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Government Secretariat,
Trivandrum, 15th December 1950.

No. S. 6-34396/50/CS.

NOTIFICATION.

Under Section 24 of the Travancore Negotiable Instruments Act, II of 1075, and Section 24 of the Cochin Negotiable Instruments Act, IX of 1097 as continued in force by the Travancore-Cochin Administration and Application of Laws Act, 1125 (VI of 1125) Government hereby declare the 15th and 16th December 1950 as Bank Holidays in Trivandrum and the 16th December 1950 as a Bank Holiday throughout the State of Travancore-Cochin in memory of the late Hon'ble Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister.

By order of His Highness
the Raj Pramukh,

K. G. MENON,
Chief Secretary to Government.

Government Secretariat,
Trivandrum, 15th December 1950.

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